

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 98-403-T - ORDER NO. 1999-616
SEPTEMBER 2, 1999


IN RE: Application of Ellison DBA Ronnie's Moving) ORDER
Service, 123 Marlboro Drive, Greenville, SC) OVERRULING
29605, for a Class E Certificate of Public) OBJECTION
Convenience and Necessity.)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Response filed by the Applicant in this case, Darrell Ellison DBA Ronnie's Moving Service to three Petitions to Intervene. The Petitions to Intervene had been filed by Arrow Moving & Storage, Inc., Carey Moving & Storage of Greenville, Inc., and Carey Moving & Storage, Inc. (the Intervenors). The Response objects to the interventions on standing, racial, antitrust, and economic grounds.

The objection is overruled, as the objection is without merit. First, the Intervenors certainly have standing to intervene in this application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for household goods authority, as they are established household goods movers. Second, there is no evidence in this matter to show a racial motivation for the interventions. Third, regulated industries are exceptions to the usual antitrust laws. Fourth, the Intervenors have the right to question the economic effects of adding another household goods mover to those movers certificated in the State of South Carolina. Again, the objection is overruled.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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